

BEFORE THE
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF SOUTH CAROLINA
DOCKET NO. 2019-281-S

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| IN RE: |) | |
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| Application of Palmetto Utilities, Inc. |) | |
| for adjustment of rates and |) | |
| charges for, and the modification of |) | MOTION FOR STAY OF ALL |
| certain terms and conditions related to, |) | PROCEEDINGS |
| the provision of sewer service. |) | |
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Pursuant to 10 S.C. Code Regs. 103-838 (2012), Applicant Palmetto Utilities, Inc. (“PUI”) submits this Motion for a Stay of All Proceedings in the above-captioned docket for a period of sixty (60) days. In support of this motion, PUI would respectfully show unto this Commission as follows:

1. At the request of the Commission made in Order No. 2020-240 issued March 18, 2020, PUI has on this date waived and voluntarily stayed the deadlines set forth in S.C. Code Ann. §58-5-240.

2. In view of PUI’s waiver and voluntary stay, and the present State of Emergency which has been declared by the Governor of South Carolina as a result of the COVID-19 crisis, PUI submits that it is appropriate that all proceedings in this matter, including the holding of scheduled public hearings, the pre-filing of testimony, the exchange of discovery, the submission of motions, and other proceedings be stayed to allow PUI’s customers, the parties and their employees to focus on their collective interests in addressing the emergency and crisis.

4. The South Carolina Office of Regulatory Staff (“ORS”), the Consumer Advocate, and Intervenor Lisa Levine do not object to a stay.

5. The granting of this motion and the proposed stay will also provide the parties of record an opportunity to discuss the potential for a settlement of the issues between them.

6. PUI submits that the foregoing constitutes good cause for this request and therefore moves that the Commission stay all proceedings in this matter for a period of 60 days.

Respectfully submitted,

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